

Amendments to the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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Claim 1 (currently amended): A container for storing and displaying at least one candle, said container comprising:

a hollow base having a bottom and a side portion that extends from said bottom to define an open top and an interior space, said interior space being dimensioned to allow at least one candle to be disposed therein; and

a lid having a top surface and a bottom surface, said lid being dimensioned to cover said open top;

wherein said top surface is dimensioned to rest upon said side portion in a candle display position and said bottom surface ~~are~~ is each dimensioned to rest upon said side portion of said base in a candle storage position; and

wherein said bottom surface of said lid comprises at least one compartment disposed therein, said compartment being dimensioned to allow a single candle to be displayed therein.

Claim 2 (original): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said at least one compartment disposed within said bottom surface of said lid is substantially cylindrical in shape and is dimensioned to accept a tea light candle.

Claim 3 (original): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said at least one compartment disposed within said bottom surface is a number of compartments chosen from a group consisting of two, three, four, six and nine compartments.

Claim 4 (original): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said at least one compartment within said bottom surface of said lid comprises one compartment and wherein said interior space within said base is dimensioned to allow at least two candles to be disposed therein in stacking relation.

Claim 5 (withdrawn): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said base further comprises a wall mounting plate extending from said side portion.

Claim 6 (original): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said base further comprises a wall mounting plate extending from said side portion.

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Claim 7 (original): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said side portion of said base forms an outer side surface and wherein said outer side surface comprises a decorative design disposed upon at least a portion thereof.

Claim 8 (original): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said bottom surface of said lid further comprises an alignment detail for aligning said lid with said base when said lid is in a display position.

Claim 9 (original): The container as claimed in claim 8 wherein said alignment detail comprises a lip dimensioned to rest upon said side portion of said base and an extended portion dimensioned to nest within said open top of said base.

Claim 10 (original): The container as claimed in claim 8 wherein said side portion of said base comprises a chamfered portion disposed proximate to said open top, and wherein said alignment detail is a countersunk alignment detail dimensioned to mate with

said chamfered portion of said side portion of said base when said lip is in a storage position.

Claim 11 (original): The container as claimed in claim 11 wherein said alignment detail is a lip dimensioned to rest upon said side portion of said base.

Claim 12 (original): The container as claimed in claim 11 wherein said alignment detail is a lip dimensioned to rest upon said side portion of said base.

Claim 13 (original): The container as claimed in claim 11 wherein said side portion of said base comprises a chamfered portion proximate to said open top, and wherein said alignment detail is a countersunk alignment detail dimensioned to mate with said chamfered portion of said side portion of said base when said lid is in a display position.

Claim 14 (original): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said side portion comprises four side walls that define a substantially rectangular open top and an interior space having a shape of a substantially rectangular polygon.

Claim 15 (currently amended): The container as claimed in claim 1 wherein said side portion comprises four side walls that define a substantially rectangular open top and an interior space having a shape of a substantially cylindrical shape.

Claim 16 (original): A kit of parts comprising:

at least one candle; and

a container for storing and displaying said at least one candle, said container comprising:

a hollow base having a bottom and a side portion that extends from said bottom to define an open top and an interior space, said interior space being dimensioned to allow at least one candle to be disposed therein; and

a lid having a top surface and a bottom surface, said lid being dimensioned to cover said open top;

wherein said top surface is dimensioned to rest upon said side portion in a candle display position and said bottom surface ~~are~~ is each dimensioned to rest upon said side portion of said base in a candle storage position; and

wherein said bottom surface of said lid comprises at least one compartment disposed therein, said compartment being dimensioned to allow a single candle to be displayed therein.

Claim 17 (original): The kit of parts as claimed in claim 16 wherein at least one candle is at least one tea candle.

Claim 18 (withdrawn): The kit of parts as claimed in claim 17 wherein said at least one tea light candle comprises a cup having a scalloped sidewall.

Claim 19 (withdrawn): The kit of parts as claimed in claim 17 wherein said at least one compartment comprises nine compartments disposed in three by three relation, and wherein said at least one candle comprises a plurality of candles of a first color and a plurality of candles of a second color.

Claim 20 (withdrawn): The kit of parts as claimed in claim 16 further comprising a plurality of playing pieces dimensioned for disposal within said at least one compartment, and wherein said at least one compartment comprises nine compartments disposed in three by three relation.